

Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

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DA 07-866

Certified mail, return receipt requested

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Re: Modification of Operator Privileges

Amateur Radio Service Station KI6ASC

Dear Mr. Hoult:

The purpose of this letter is to notify you that we are correcting the operator privileges of your license for Amateur Radio Service Station KI6ASC. Specifically, we are restoring the operator privileges on your license to Technician Class, rather than General Class. As explained below, we take this action in response to information provided to the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau by the American Radio Relay League, Inc., Volunteer Examiner Coordinator (ARRL VEC). Specifically, the ARRL VEC states that an error in a data file that it submitted to the Commission resulted in your operator privileges incorrectly being changed.¹

By way of background, on May 4, 2006, the Commission received from the ARRL VEC an electronic data file that contained an application requesting modification of your operating privileges from Technician Class to General Class.² Consequently, you were granted a General Class amateur radio operator license on May 4, 2006. On June 7, 2006 the ARRL VEC notified the Commission that the May 4, 2006 data file contained an error, and that it did not intend to submit an application pertaining to your license.³ It requests that we set aside this grant so that your operator license privileges will revert back to Technician Class privileges.⁴

Based on the information now before us, we conclude that the ARRL VEC was not authorized to file the application that resulted in the modification of your operator license. We also conclude that the grant of General Class operator privileges to you was erroneous because the Volunteer Examiners have not certified that you are qualified for a General Class amateur service operator license, and not in the public interest because it occurred due only to receipt of a

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¹ Electronic mail message, dated June 7, 2006, from Perry Green, Assistant VEC Manager, ARRL, to Rebecca R. Williams, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission (ARRL VEC Request).

² See FCC File No. 0002594498 (filed May 5, 2006). Volunteer examiner coordinators coordinate the efforts of volunteer examiners in preparing and administering amateur radio operator license examinations, and then forward the required data for qualified examinees to the Commission electronically. See 47 C.F.R. 97.519(a).

³ See ARRL VEC Request.

⁴ See id.

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defective data file. Thus, we conclude that your license should be corrected to accurately reflect your current operator privileges.⁵

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED, pursuant to Section 4(i) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 154(i), and Section 1.41 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.41, that the amateur service operator license for Amateur Radio Station KI6ASC SHALL BE MODIFIED by replacing General Class operator privileges with Technician Class operator privileges.

This action is taken under delegated authority pursuant to Sections 0.131 and 0.331 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.131, 0.331.

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Scot Stone Deputy Chief, Mobility Division Wireless Telecommunication Bureau

licensing records to reflect prior trustee).

⁵ See Comtex Communications, Inc., Order, 15 FCC Rcd 11730, 11732 ¶¶ 7, 9 (WTB PSPWD 2000) (reinstating a license that had been terminated pursuant to an unauthorized cancellation request); see also Paul J. Toth, Letter, DA 07-182 (WTB MD rel. Jan. 24, 2007) (setting aside unauthorized application to change club trustee and correcting